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MARRIAGE.

On the 20th December, 1901, at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., ALBERT OTTOSON, eldest son of the late James M. Wilson, I. M. Customs, Shanghai, and of Dublin, Ireland, to Jessie Hutchinson, third daughter of the late William Youngson, I. M. Customs, Shanghai, and of Roseberry, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, December 28th, 1900

With the advent of Christmas the already scanty information about the progress of negotiations at Peking has become still scantier. As we learnt at the beginning of the week, the announcement of an agreement between the Powers on the disputed points has given satisfaction at home, causing a rise of a half to one and a half point in Chinese issues. It may be taken for granted, therefore, that the Allies have actually arrived at unanimity in their demands on China, and that a working compromise has been discovered which every nation among them has consented to support. A Japanese native paper, the *Chugai Shogyo*, whose information has been good during the present crisis in China, reports on the authority of its Shanghai correspondent that the Powers have approved on the twelve articles of the proposals carried in the Ministers' conference at Peking and some of them have already ordered their Ministers to proceed with the peace negotiations, but the authority allotted to them, it is added, is not very full, and in every instance they have been instructed to wait for advice from their home Governments. The *Chugai Shogyo* continues by stating that the powers are now appointing their respective peace envoys, and that formal peace negotiations are expected to begin at the end of January next. A Shanghai telegram to the *Mainichi*, dated the 17th instant, is to the effect that the foreign Ministers were then discussing the demands on China, consisting of a hundred clauses, and that it was reported that military operations will be begun against China if she refuses to comply with the ultimatum, which will be forwarded as soon as the conference of the powers is concluded. Other Japanese papers, moreover, add the report that Li HUNG-CHANG's personal followers have returned to Shanghai, "on account of the determined attitude of the

Powers, who threaten to continue the military operations in case China evinces the least disposition to ask for an amendment of the peace conditions."

These reports from leading Japanese vernacular papers support one another, but up to the present we have no confirmation, from non-Japanese sources, of the threat to prosecute the war in default of a ready compliance, on the part of China, with the demands of the Powers. There is no doubt a sufficient reason for our lack of news in the censorship exercised over European press correspondents, whereas unless the Japanese reports are inventions there is not the same stoppage of news in Japan. It will be noted that the story of the proposed court-martial of the *Times* and *Morning Post* correspondents for "transmitting a false telegram regarding the death of Count York" reaches us also by way of Japan. We have no means of gauging the accuracy of the news from Japan, thanks to official suppression. Whether this action of the military authorities is altogether wise now is a matter for doubt. During the progress of the war, there was justification for keeping the details back. But what is the advantage of system which fails to maintain a general secrecy while fostering the spread of unfounded rumours, most people will fail, we think, to see. The affair of the Kalgan expedition is a case in point. Whatever was the actual case of Count YORK VON WARFENBURG's death, whether he was killed in battle, was accidentally suffocated, or committed suicide, the authorities have by their attitude led to the most unfavourable version being accepted. Needless to say that general belief is yielded to a story which doubtless goes far beyond the facts. A press censorship is always difficult to carry out. An ineffective and partial one simply stultifies the censor.

The Victoria Recreation Club's premises at Murray Pier will be finally closed on Monday, the 31st instant, when the New Club House in Austin Road, Kowloon, will be opened.

A fresh case of plague was reported during the 24 hours between noon of the 24th and noon of the 25th inst. This brings the number of cases for the year up to 1,085, while the number of deaths remains at 1,026.

The Mother Superior of the Italian Convent begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following sums—

Dr. Hartigan	...	...	...	...	...
Yeung Chik Shing	...	...	...	...	...
Messrs. Levy Hermanos	...	...	...	...	...
Geo. D. Sharnhorst	...	...	...	...	...
J. Boyel	...	...	...	...	...
T. F. de Cruz	...	...	...	...	...

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon Mr. G. J. W. King offered for public competition two lots of Crown land situated at Pak Tau Hang, Kowloon. Kowloon Island Lot No. 1114, which comprises 4,840 square feet, was sold for \$988 (upset \$968), and Kowloon Island Lot No. 1115, which comprises 756 square feet, was sold for \$172 (upset \$152). Li Ping and Li Chung Sien were the purchasers.

The Japanese *Mainichi* says that Dr. Morrison, the Peking correspondent of the *Times*, and the correspondent of the *Morning Post*, are having trouble with the German military authorities. The correspondents ascribed the death of Count York to the defeat the Germans received at the hands of the Chinese troops. The Germans are highly incensed and are trying to court-martial the two men, for which purpose a proposal was brought forward at the Allies' military council.

The following list of all the performing members of Pollard's Lilliputian Opera Co., which opens at the Theatre on the 9th prox., will be of interest—Alice Bennett, Lily Thompson, Ivy Trott, Irene Goulding, Bella Thompson, Edie Prebble, Emma Thomas, Alice Turner, May Thorn, Myrtle Trott, May Topping, Florrie Sharpe, Lucy Magill, Kate Wright, Ethel Bennett, Ethel Fraser, Connie Prebble, Sadie Farrell, Daphne Trott, May Chester, Madge Williams, Agnes Turner, Minnie Topping, Ruby Moore, Harold Hill, Willie Pollard, George Moore, Willie Thomas, Fred Stewart, and John Murphy.

Wong Sam, a foreman in the employ of Tung Tak, contractor, carrying on business in this colony, died in the Government Civil Hospital on Monday from the effects of wounds inflicted by robbers in an assault committed upon him in Shatin on the 13th inst. It will be remembered, by the report published in our columns at the time, that the unfortunate man, accompanied by two coolies, was being driven in a ricksha to the outlying district of Shatin, carrying on his person about \$100 in twenty-cent pieces to pay his master's workmen there. At a lonely part of the road the little party was attacked by three robbers, armed with a chopper and bamboo poles. The coolies took to flight, leaving Wong Sam to the mercy of his assailants. A search party found him some time later, bleeding and unconscious, about twenty feet down the hillside. He was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, where, as already stated, he died on Monday last. His case from the first was recognised as hopeless. The police have arrested several men in connection with the affair, but, with the exception of one, these have all been liberated, the coolies who accompanied the murdered man being unable to identify any of them. The evidence against the man detained in custody is very slight, the main point apparently being that in his possession were found a few rolls of twenty-cent pieces similar to those carried by the deceased man.

The *Strait Times* of the 17th inst. reports the cholera figures to date at Singapore to be 192 cases and 164 deaths.

The Taylor-Carrington Company repeated *Tony Tommy Atkins* at the theatre last night before a good audience in the regular part of the house.

We held over the report of Messrs. Alec Marsh's and A. G. Ward's highly successful concert in St. George's Hall last night until to-morrow's issue.

Yu Tactai, before leaving Shanghai, has contributed \$300 to the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association, a foreign resident at Shanghai has subscribed over \$800 to the same Association.

A Seoul despatch states that the Korean Government has engaged a German bandmaster at a salary of 300 yen a month to teach the military bands. He gave his first lesson on the 17th inst. in the band of the Imperial Bodyguard at Seoul.

The Squatters' Board, consisting of Sir John Carrington, C.M.G. (presiding), the Acting Puisne Judge (the Hon. T. Scrombie Smith), and the Hon. R. D. Ormsby, with Mr. Bruce Shepherd as Secretary, met at the Supreme Court yesterday, when a number of squatters' claims were investigated.

The *Tatung*, which arrived at Shanghai from Yangtze ports at the end of last week, reported H.M.S. *Daphne*, the German *Alis* and two French gunboats at Hankow, H.M.S. *Jedops* at Kinkiang, H.M.S. *Linnat* at Wuhu, H.M.S. *Hermione* and a German cruiser at Nanking, and H.M.S. *Pique* at Chinkiang.

The new telegraph line from Taku to Tientsin was opened on the 26th inst. It is in connection with the neutral cable from Shanghai to Taku, and the old rates for messages will now be restored. This line will shortly be extended to Peking, and thence overland to Kinkhata, giving an independent alternative route to Europe. Possibly when this is built, says the *N.-C. Daily News*, we may hope that the long-deferred reduction in rates to Europe and America will become a tangible reality.

The following notes are from the Foochow Echo of the 18th inst.:—The French cruiser *Declarer* is at Pagoda.—Mr. Consul Claudel has returned from Europe and assumed charge of the French Consulate. Mr. Doire, who had been acting Vice-Consul during his absence, left on Sunday last, and carried with him the good wishes of the foreign community.—There was a fire on Saturday last not far from the American Consulate, another in the suburbs of the city on Sunday, and yet another on Monday on the river side in the premises of the Match Factory, when the manager's house was burnt down.

The *Universal Gazette* claims to have news to the effect that rebellion in Kanan is well under way. It is said that 45,000 Mohammedans have raised the standard and declared definitely against the Manchu Dynasty. This, if true, may be what is forcing the Court to leave Shensi. The *Gazette* does not give the source of its information, but it also states that a message for Hainan has been received by Chang Chih-ting, telling him that owing to the scarcity of food in Shensi it is impossible for the Court to remain there, and that they accordingly propose to remove to Hupoh. Indecision is expressed as to whether Wuchang or Kinkchow is the more suitable locality, and Viceroy Chang is instructed to make careful investigation and report at once.

Rather a sensation was caused in Singapore on Saturday, the 16th inst., by a freely circulated report that a European had been murdered that morning near the cricket club. There was no lack of details forthcoming, says the *Strait Times*, and vivid pictures were drawn of the man being stabbed from behind by a couple of Sikhs and his body thrown on the S. C. C. ground. The simple explanation of the affair, however, is that a seaman named J. Murray was walking along the Esplanade about 11 a.m. when he was seen to stagger. Sanitary Inspector Mayhew went to the man's assistance, and as he saw the man was very ill, he put him in a ricksha and went for Dr. Glennie. When the latter arrived, however, it was seen nothing could be done for him, and death took place in a few minutes. The body was laid on the green, and afterwards placed in an ambulance and viewed by the Coroner. Medical examination showed that death was due to heart disease.

The Tokyo Government, says the *Globe*, has good cause to encourage, and even assist, the emigration of surplus labour. But in this endeavour it finds itself confronted by the repugnance of Australasia and the United States to give employment to Asiatics. It is much to be hoped, therefore, that better fortune will attend the effort to establish a large Japanese colony on waste lands in Argentina. The proposal is to place 20,000 islanders—men, women, and children—on an area of 200 leagues, to be set apart for the purpose by the Argentine Government. At present this territory, although said to be remarkably fertile, is non-productive owing to deficiency of rainfall, but that drawback could be remedied, it is believed, by constructing canals connecting with the Pilcomayo river. The promoters of the scheme are ready to accept that responsibility and to defray the entire cost, but they stipulate for a number of valuable concessions in return, including the remission of all national and municipal taxation. As the area yields nothing to either of these revenues, and never can until it is brought under cultivation, the acceptance of the offer would not cause any loss to the Buenos Ayres Treasury.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SHANGHAI, 27th December, 10.14 p.m.

THE EMPEROR'S RETURN.

A Hsianfu telegram announces that the Emperor has selected General Ma Yu-kan to command the advanced bodyguard when he (the Emperor) returns to Peking.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 26th December, 6.40 p.m.

NEW TREASURY LOAN.

The Treasury is raising a loan of two millions and a half sterling.

AUSTRALIA—THE FEDERAL

MINISTRY.

Mr. Lyne has declined to form a Federal Ministry, in consequence of trouble with Victoria. Mr. Barton, Q.C., New South Wales, is undertaking the task of forming the Ministry.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 24th December.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

Do Wet is in the neighbourhood of Senekel. General Clements has defeated 3,000 Boers with five guns under Dehroy in an entrenched range of kopjes. The Inniskillings and Borderers stormed the hill, and General French, who arrived later, routed the fleeing Boers.

About 5,000 men and 8,000 horses will be despatched to South Africa early in January. The Dutch are elated at the progress of the invaders of Cape Colony, and it is openly stated that the whole district of Victoria-West will join the raiders. Communications are practically unguarded owing to the insufficiency of troops.

LOCAL MOVEMENTS.

The Russian cruiser *Rozovskiy* arrived yesterday from Nagasaki.
The U. S. monitor *Monadnock* arrived yesterday from Manila, with the U. S. transport *Solace*.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 27th December.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS REPORTED SETTLED.
It is said in mandarin circles that a telegram has been received by the Acting Viceroy announcing the settlement of peace negotiations. It is not yet made public officially, because the contracting parties are awaiting the return of the Emperor Kwang Hsu to Peking to confirm it. The general opinion in Canton is that the longer the negotiations drag their slow length along the more mischief the delay may lead to, not to mention that commerce has already been considerably affected thereby. The disaffected populace might ultimately break out into open rebellion.

A GALLANT FRENCH SAILOR.

On the 21st ult. at 8 a.m., when the s.s. *Hanlow* was leaving for Hongkong, she steamed near the French gunboat *Dauphine*, and the current being very strong at that time, ran down a sampan with an old man and woman and child in it, who were thrown into the water. A French sailor named Hamon, on board the *Dauphine*, saw it, and immediately jumped into the water. He saved the child, and then the woman, the old man being picked up by another boat that passed by. No matter what has been said against them in other quarters, the officers and marines of the French gunboats are very popular in Canton. This is the third time that they have saved the lives of poor Chinese when the latter's compatriots would not in such cases extend even a helping hand.

PROMOTIONS FOR CANTON OFFICIALS.

News reached Canton that the present Hoppe is promoted to be a Cabinet Minister, and that the brother of the Tartar General is made a Vice-president of one of the Imperial Departments. When they will go to take up their positions is a question of time; it may be three months, six months, or a year hence.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The steamer *Lightning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on Wednesday afternoon, 26th inst.

The O. S. S. steamer *Prometheus* left Singapore on the 26th inst. and is due in Hongkong on 30th inst., p.m.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Atsuta Maru* (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port on the 25th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 2nd prox.

The C. P. R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 2 a.m. on Wednesday, the 26th inst., and left again at noon same day for Yokohama, where she was due to arrive at 1 p.m. on Thursday, the 27th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Enigma* has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for Hongkong on the 27th inst.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE FLEET.

It is one of the many traditions of the British Navy that at Christmas time the order of things as far as regards the lower deck, is materially changed. Relaxation takes the place of starchy stiffness, order, viewed in an every-daylight, by the strictest discipline as paramount, may, and often does, become disorder—even revelry, downright revelry, is permitted; without even a murmur from the quarter-deck. Christmas day in the Service means to every man from the Admiral down to the boy, a complete freedom from official restraint, a sort of go-as-you-please time when the spirit of Good-will and Peace to all men prevails both fore and aft. It is the only day in the year when the ship's company are allowed to smoke on the lower deck, and it is the only time when the mess deck is transformed into a veritable bazaar of edibles. Each mess vies with the other in keeping festive the joyous occasion, and no pains are spared in the decorations, the cost of which is borne by the man collectively. Again, Christmas is the only time of the year when the boy takes the man's place on a British man-of-war, and the man takes the boy's place. The change of duty is accepted as quite in the order of things, and the petty officer sweeps the deck with his broom, or picks up his swab and cloops down with just the same ease and contentment as he was wont to do on the training ship, or before he obtained his rating. The first-class petty officers gather at the pumps and carry water to the galleys or pump, "grog water" for the men and boys who loll about by the side of them, watching the operations with evident delight. The drummer boys take up the sergeants' duties on that day, and carry the stripes with as much dignity as the officer of the watch paces the after-deck, their commands having as much force, and for the most part receiving as much attention and respect, as if they had been given by the sergeants themselves. These traditions, and many others of a like character, date back to the time of Nelson, and are observed in almost every detail on board Her Majesty's ships both at home and abroad. In Hongkong this Christmas tide they were carried out with more than usual zeal as will be seen from the following reports of our representatives who visited them.

THE "ASTREA."

Standing on the gangway of H.M.S. *Astrea* on Christmas day was petty officer S. Moss who is stated by the "man on the deck" to be the oldest hand in the ship. As we saw him just after his Christmas dinner, he was carrying out his duties with great delight and seemed to be quite at home in directing the visitors to the lower deck, and keeping his gangway clear of the sampans as they disembarked their passengers. On being conducted to the mess deck quite a brilliant array of fernery and hawthorn came into view. Reaching the whole width of the deck were festoons of evergreens, here and there relieved with colored chains and tastefully arranged floral wreaths. To view the scene from the fore side it seemed as if one hand had planned the whole of the decorations, so neat and precise in every detail were they laid out. Round the end of the mess tables were suitable devices, patriotic emblems, and words of cheer, while outspread across the beams were appropriate texts indicative of the season. Precisely at twelve o'clock the dinner was spread out on the already fruit-laden tables, and roast beef, roast, geese, turkey, mutton, vegetables and plum pudding "steamed along," while the band playing "The Roast Beef of Old England" led the procession of officers from the after-deck. The Commander and his following tasted the beef and pudding at every mess as they passed by, and returned aft amid the cheers of the whole ship's company. During the afternoon a variety concert was held forward, when Seaman Duff played the big drum and Seaman Jones the kettle-drum, the accordion accompaniment being given by Seaman Douglas. A long programme was gone through upon a roughly improvised stage erected amidships, the various items of which were loudly cheered. Some exceptionally good talent was displayed, especially the comical quartet consisting of E. R. Artissor Brown, Privates Field and Winterford, and Stoker Carter. Field, attired as a dairy-farm girl kept the company in roars of laughter, while Winterford proved a daring equestrian and sustained his Service reputation as a "born actor." An item in the afternoon's amusements which should not be missed was the antic of the ship's goat which was presented to the Commander by Prince George of Greece. The animal frisked and bawled round the deck, and seemed to take as much interest in the sports as the men themselves.

On Christmas Eve the ward room invited the Captain and officers to a spread, and the greatest cordiality prevailed. Covers were laid for eighteen, and the post prandial proceedings included a song by Sir Douglas Brownrigg, entitled, "But a very different place." It was enthusiastically received, as well as one from Dr. Hardy "Down among the dead men." The Carpenter also sang a topical song and received a bumper. "And lang-syne" was given as a finale three times round the table, and a pleasant seasonable evening was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

This was the fourth Christmas the men on the *Undaunted* had spent away from home, and naturally when the Commander, headed by the ship's band, and followed by his officers to the tune of "The Roast Beef of Old England," reached the mess deck, all eyes were turned to the ship's company, who had just received his homeward-bound orders. Not so. He tasted the "duff" at every mess, and when he had finished, he wished all the ship's company a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Lieutenant Chabwood was then acknowledged and carried round the mess deck to the tune of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." After the officers had returned to the after-deck, the petty

officers and crew proceeded to carry out day's programme. The oldest P.O., addressed his mess mates, paid a high tribute to the Commander who, he said, was "more, the Jolly Good Fellow." There was no doubt about it. Comdr. Eyres was the best naval commander on the station, and they knew it. He could not accord him more praise than was to him. He well deserved their unstinted wishes at this season of the year. It was a pity, he continued, that the Home Government did not recompense Comdr. Eyres for the arduous manner in which he had carried out duties during the ship's stay in Woosung, the seal he had shown in every detail connected with her. If the *Undaunted* had had good fortune to have gone into action at Tientsin she would have proved herself, and would have been wanting in her duty to her country and her Queen (cheers). In conclusion he wished to say emphatically that Comdr. Eyres had shown himself worthy of the D.S. in every way.

The decorations on the *Undaunted* were planned and carried out in a manner which reflected great credit upon the whole ship's company. There was considerable taste shown in some of the messes, and although it would be invidious to single out any one or two of the for special mention, we might say that these the after-part were simply exquisite. The display of evergreens and bunting across the deck on the after side had the appearance of a triumphal arch with two passage ways overhang with reasonable devices, the whole forming a brilliantly devised entrance, as it were, from the after-deck to the fore part of the ship.

THE "ENDYMION."

In accordance with the time-honoured custom of cementing the good fellowship existing between officers and men on British men-of-war, precisely at a quarter to twelve o'clock on Christmas day the Master at Arms marched aft, and asked Captain C. A. Cullingham of H.M.S. *Endymion* if he cared to inspect the mess deck, and taste the Christmas dinners laid out for the ship's company. A reply in the affirmative being given, a procession was formed and to the strains of "The Roast Beef of Old England," the mess deck became the scene of vociferous cheering, while the visitors from the well-stocked tables were handed round to the visitors. The deck had been gaily trimmed with greenery, and no expense had been spared to show it off to seasonal advantage. Justice having been done to the good things provided, an adjournment was made to the forward deck where a variety concert was given, including songs, stamp speeches, and dances. Leading Seaman Green gave some excellent selections on the mandolin, and Second Class Petty Officer Cowell rendered a few hango solos, as well as accompanying the various singers. Second Class P. O. Ayre sang "Navy Blue," and Stoker Batchelor gave "The Fagship Victoria." Both received repeated plaudits, and both gave well chosen songs. Mr. Newlove and Mr. Hingston in two songs and dances acquitted themselves, and a pleasant afternoon wound up by the whole company singing the National Anthem.

THE "TERRIBLE."

Christmas Day on board the *Terrific* was observed in true naval fashion, the interior of the ship being richly decorated throughout. Many of the lower deck messes were triumphs of the decorator's art, some being almost hid amongst evergreens, whilst their tables bent beneath the weight of luxuries of every eatable description. It would seem as if the length of the order had been governed by the length of the mess table instead of by the number of its consuming inhabitants, to judge of the quantity of Christmas cheer that covered their surfaces, the old spaces being filled in by photographs of sweethearts, from the gay gals to the puritanical maid of Somerset. Punctually at noon the Captain, accompanied by Mrs. Scott, all the officers and many civilian friends, made a tour round the decks preceded by the ship's band, playing "The Roast Beef of Old England"—which by the way was conspicuous by its absence—and partook of the delicacies from the proffered plates, wishing each mess the Compliments of the Season. The parade over, dinner commenced, the afternoon being given up to frivolity, and in the evening a smoking concert was held forward for the ship's company, whilst the wardroom entertained the gunner and subordinate officers to dinner; a programme of music and songs following. Capt. Scott also gave a unique party on board at noon, and a dinner in the evening, the latter being attended by Mrs. Scott, Miss Westrop, Capt. Hoffmeyer, Imperial German Navy, Capt. Warrender, *Barfleur*, Commander Ogilvy, Lieut. Worsley, *Astrea*, Lieut. Onslow and Wilde, and Sub-Lieut. Osborne, *Terrific*.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

WHY NOT A PUBLIC HOLIDAY?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
SIR,—Next Monday, the 31st of December, is not only the last day of the year, but the closing day of this wonderful nineteenth century. According to the most recently received mail papers, it will be a general holiday throughout France and other countries during the Gregorian Calendar. The day, unhappily, is a mail day here, so that a whole holiday would be highly inconvenient. But those who take the initiative in such matters is it the Government, the Chamber of Commerce, or the leading Banks?—might declare a holiday, say, from noon.

The absence of a regatta has this year already deprived the community of at least two half-day holidays.

The suggestion comes late, but not too late to be acted upon.—Yours, etc.,

ALMANAC.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

STRAYED from 13, Praya East, a Small WHITE and FAN HALF-BRED TERRIER. Injured right ear. Reward at above address.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3271]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on THURSDAY, the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1901, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1900. [3269]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on THURSDAY, the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1901, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Hung Hom, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Estimated Value.
1	Hung Hom, Island South of Lot No. 11111.	N. 8. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft.	25,000 sq. ft.	9,000

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Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3265]

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Captain Dowson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 30th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3272]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

"CHUNSAUNG."
Captain Muir, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 31st inst., at 3 p.m.
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Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3268]

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3270]

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"CHELYDRA."
Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 29th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3266]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS will be ready to-morrow as I will contain:

Leading Articles:—
Affairs at Christmastide.
The Repression of British Energy.
Overcrowding and Exaggeration.
Manchuism v. the Yangtze Valley.
The Crisis: Telegrams.
Business Operations in Manchuria.
The Third Subscription Concert.
Children's Gals Day at the Central Police Station.
Belliss Public School for Girls.
The Charge against a Company Director.
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Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3267]

ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY), 28th Dec.

LAST PERFORMANCE BUT 3.

TAYLOR-CARRINGTON SEASON.

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Reserve Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO Co. Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3243]

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IN Aid of the WIDOW and FAMILY of the late Sergeant HOWELL, R.W.F., CITY HALL.

THURSDAY.

3rd January, commencing at 9 p.m.

Admission ... \$3, \$2, \$1 and 50 cents.

Seats may be booked at the ROBINSON PIANO Co.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3262]

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

WEDNESDAY.

JANUARY 9th, 1901.

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A. LEVEY, Business Manager, Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3253]

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Wm. PARLANE, Manager, Hongkong, 17th February, 1899. [18]

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Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [3144]

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Hongkong, 17th October, 1899. [3243]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD-MINING CO., LD. IN LIQUIDATION.

A MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Des Voeux Road Central, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 29th of December, at 11.45 A.M., to receive the Final Statement of Accounts of the Liquidator.
L. LAMBOTTE, Liquidator.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3233]

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD-MINING CO., LD. INCORPORATED 1890.

THE SECOND GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Des Voeux Road Central, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 29th of December, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st of September, 1900, with the Report of the Directors.
LUTGENS, EINSTMAN & CO., General Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900. [3234]

TEBRAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

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10680—11000
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11336—11585
11736—11885
14336—14485

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1900. [3204]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 1187.

TENDERS with Detailed Specifications will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to Noon of FRIDAY, the 1st February, 1901, for the Construction and Supply of TWO WOODEN or COMPOSITE STEAM FERRY BOATS for the JOHORE STRAITS. (See Admiralty Chart No. 2403.)

Length 90 feet over all.
Breadth not less than 17 feet.
Maximum draft 7 feet.

The vessels to be of sufficient stability to carry passengers on a shade deck about one half of their length.

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If of wood to be built of Java teak or Panaga crooks for frames, &c. with teak planking and hard wood ceiling.

The boats to be sheathed to well above the water line with 18 oz. yellow metal.

Tender must state the price—1st with fittings to burn liquid fuel, carrying a sufficient supply to steam about 500 knots—2nd with fittings for burning wood fuel—3rd with fittings which can be altered for burning liquid or wood fuel as found expedient.

The boats must be built for and fitted with towing blocks and other fittings and gear for towing a 40 ton tugboat.

One short mast forward for light and signalling and a teak wood dingle to be supplied with each vessel.

First Class and Native passenger accommodation to be separate. Space for baggage to be provided below.

Any further information can be obtained from the Master Attendant, Singapore. The Tenders to state the date on which the boats can be completed and delivered in Singapore.

The Government does not undertake to accept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Singapore, 22nd October, 1900. [2814]

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3225]

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Hongkong, 31st August, 1897. [18]

INTIMATIONS

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REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [3042]

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A. R. MARY, Agent.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1900. [5794]

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TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1899 £14,409,089.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0

II. FIRE FUNDS... 2,731,183 13 6

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SHAW, TOMES & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd June, 1900. [1872]

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [1023]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1892. [24]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [27]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [92]

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [82]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHATELAIN

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [19]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

CAPITAL... £410,000.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

W. MEYERINE & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. [1512]

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL... \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
STEELING RESERVE... \$10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE... 2,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS... \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
N. A. STEWART, Esq.—Chairman.
R. SHAW, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
Hon. R. M. Gray, A. J. Raymond, Esq., A. H. Hays, Esq., E. L. Richardson, Esq., Hon. J. J. Kewick, P. S. S. Esq., D. Mayer Moses, Esq., H. W. Slade, Esq., Paul Witkowski, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—Sir THOMAS JACKSON.

MANAGER: Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [17]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rates may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1900. [18]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	S. Barcham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
LONDON	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	—	Stevens	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Jan.
LONDON	RHIPSUS	Brit. str.	—	Day	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd Jan.
LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	—	Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On or about 22nd Jan.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	PRINZ HEINRICH	Ger. str.	—	R. Heintze	MELCHERS & CO.	On 1st Jan., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	OKANIAN	Fren. str.	—	Schmitz	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 31st inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	KAMAKURA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Petersen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th Jan., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Ger. str.	—	Hempel	CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-morrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 23rd Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBERIA	Ger. str.	—	Müller	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 5th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBERIA	Ger. str.	—	Braun	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 15th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PERIBURO	Ger. str.	—	Proesch	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 25th Feb.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	DEVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On or about 5th Jan.
NEW YORK	R. MORROW	Brit. str.	—	Douglas	ARNDT, KARBURG & CO.	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	R. Archibald, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 16th Jan.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	VICTORIA	Brit. str.	—	J. Pantou	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	To-day.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C. V. INLAND SEA, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	—	G. D. Bowles, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On or about 31st inst.
PORTLAND (OREGON) U.S.A.	SKARPSNO	Nor. str.	—	Tollefsen	T. M. STEVENS & CO.	On or about 10th Jan.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ADATO	Brit. str.	—	J. McIntyre	ARNDT, KARBURG & CO.	On 15th Jan.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 12th Jan., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CHINA	Amr. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOY, &c.	DORIC	Brit. str.	—	—	U. & O. S. S. Co.	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
SAN DIEGO, &c., VIA MOJIL, &c.	BERGENHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Tate	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	—	Holms	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 3rd Jan., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	Nelson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Jan.
KOBE & NAGASAKI	CHUNSHANG	Brit. str.	—	Muir	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 31st inst., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	WUOSUNG	Brit. str.	—	Dowson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst.
SHANGHAI	HSEIKHO.	Ger. str.	—	Crawford	SIEMSEN & CO.	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INDUS	Fren. str.	—	Duchateau	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 31st inst.
SHANGHAI	LYEEMOON	Ger. str.	—	Heuermann	EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.	On 3rd Jan., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	PENINSULAR	Brit. str.	—	T. Leigh	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 5th Jan.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	A. F. Street	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 12th Jan.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO & YOKOHAMA	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	—	E. Prehn	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Suzuki	MIYOSHI BUSAN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	SINAN	Brit. str.	—	Jamieson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	—	Roach	DOUGLAS LAFRAKE & CO.	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	TAMSUI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Hasegawa	MIYOSHI BUSAN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANPOO	ASPING MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Atsumi	MIYOSHI BUSAN KAISHA	On 9th Jan., at Daylight.
MANILA	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Tate	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	DIAMANTE	Brit. str.	—	A. Ramsay	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	Nelson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th Jan.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	MIYKE MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Kawamura	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th Jan., at Noon.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Dec. 26, CASSIUS, German str., 1,450, F. Gerlach, Mch. 20th Dugger, Coal—LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Dec. 27, EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 3,003, R. Archibald, R.N.R., Vancouver 5th Dec., Mails and General—O. P. R. Co.
Dec. 27, RAZBOYNIK, Russian cruiser, 1,360, Komarov, from Nagasaki.
Dec. 27, KAHOHIDE MARU, Jap. str., 3,600, S. Furiki, Kutchinotzu 22nd Dec., Coal—M. E. KAISHA.
Dec. 27, CHUNSHAN, British str., 1,547, J. T. Davis, Calcutta 9th Dec. and Singapore 18th, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Dec. 27, TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,544, S. Wilde, Shanghai 23rd Dec. and Swatow 28th, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Dec. 27, MONADNOCK, Amr. monitor, 3,990, O. W. Farnholt, Manila 22nd December.
Dec. 27, SOLACE, Amr. freight, 2,100, Winslow, Manila 22nd December.
Dec. 27, BENMOHR, British str., 1,938, Wallace, Antwerp 9th Nov., Coal—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Dec. 27, CHUNSHAN, German str., 985, E. T. Farrell, Bangkok and Swatow 26th Dec., Rice—MELCHERS & CO.
Dec. 27, PREUSSEN, German str., 3,275, E. Prehn, Hamburg 14th Nov. and Singapore 22nd, Mails and General—MELCHERS & CO.
Dec. 27, TAMSUI MARU, Jap. str., 1,038, Hasegawa, Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 26th Dec., General—M. E. KAISHA.
Dec. 27, DOIC, British str., 4,575, H. Smith, San Francisco 28th Nov., Honolulu 5th Dec., Yokohama 19th, Kobe 21st, Nagasaki 22nd, and Shanghai 25th, Mails and General—O. & O. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
27th December.
Shinano Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.
Bentley, British str., for Nagasaki.
Taiyang, British str., for Canton.
Thales, British str., for Swatow.
Yuenan, British str., for Amoy.
Glenfalloch, British str., for Swatow.
Wulu, British str., for Shanghai.
Glenarney, British str., for Singapore.
Terryglen, Maru, Jap. str., for Kutchinotzu.
Freiburg, German str., for Yokohama.
Cassius, German str., for Meiji.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 25, KANAGAWA MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
Dec. 26, SARFEDON, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 26, DAYSTAR, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 26, JAYA, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 26, FORKHOA, British str., for Swatow.
Dec. 26, WINGONG, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 26, CHILLI, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 26, ARAGONIA, Ger. str., for Singapore.
Dec. 26, ELBE, German str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 27, BENGLUTHIA, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 27, WHANPOA, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 27, GLENARTNEY, British str., for London.
Dec. 27, GLENFALLOCH, Brit. str., for Swatow.
Dec. 27, YUENAN, British str., for Manila.
Dec. 27, WUHU, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 27, HATING, French str., for Haiphong.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Suanhida.
KOWLOON DOCKS.—Tartar, H.M.S. Sandpiper, Teile, Telemachus, Sullberg, Alexander, Pouch, H.M.S. Tabu, Frankfurt, Shantung.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Queen Adelaide.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:
ADOLPH OBERG, American ship, Amesbury—Standard Oil Co.
DUKE OF FIFE, British str., Cox—Dodwell & Co., Limited.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Screw Steamship

"ROSETTA MARU"

(3,411 tons gross, Captain N. Tate, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 4 P.M.)
This Mail steamer is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Doctor and Stewardess carried. Return tickets issued by this Company are available for return by steamers of the other Lines.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. S. MIHARA, Manager.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [3219]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIAMANTE"

Captain A. Ramsay, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 5 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
A doctor is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1900. [3248]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAMSUI MARU"

Captain K. Hasegawa, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 30th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1900. [15]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"INDUS"

Captain Duchateau, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 31st inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [2]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE Company's Steamship

"TARTAR"

Captain G. D. Bowles, R.N.R., will leave Hongkong on or about MONDAY, the 31st December, 1900.
For VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER, B.C. (VIA INLAND SEA, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).
Making close connection at Vancouver with the Canadian Pacific Railway for all points in Eastern Canada, the United States and Europe.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3108]

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to Call at MANILA.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON"

will be despatched for the above port about the end of December, and will be followed by the Steamship
"POLAR ST. JERNEN"
about the middle of January, 1901.
For Freight, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900. [3045]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIogo AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"PREUSSEN"

Of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
Captain E. Prehn, will leave the outward German Mail about the 27th inst., will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1900. [3]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, &c.

STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

LONDON, &c. BENGAL S. Barcham Noon, 5th Jan., 1901. See Special Advertisement.

SHANGHAI PENINSULAR T. Leigh About 5th Jan., 1901. Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI AND JAPAN SHANGHAI T. Leigh About 12th Jan., 1901. Freight or Passage.

PAN A. F. Street About 12th Jan., 1901. Freight or Passage.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1901.

a.s. PLASSY 7,240 tons March 30th; MARSEILLES AND LONDON DIRECT

s.s. SOBRAON 7,282 tons April 27th; Without Transshipment.

For Further Particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent

Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [1]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

STEAMER. Tons. Captain. Proposed Sailing

VICTORIA 3,502 J. Pantou December 28

QUEEN ADELAIDE 2,832 A. F. McKel January 4

GOODWIN 4,421 A. Jackson January 18

OLYMPIA 2,837 J. Truobridge February 1

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table, Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the First-Class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, 248.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent; two trans-continental trains daily from Tacoma. Dining Car is attached to trans-continental trains day and night.

TACOMA TO NEW YORK in 44 days. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

HONGKONG TO VICTORIA AND TACOMA, 255.

The best route to the KLONDIKE GOLD FIELDS. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA and TACOMA to DYER and ST. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other points on application.

A special rate allowed to members of Government Service.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [10]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

(FREIGHT SERVICE) (FREIGHT SERVICE)

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

WITTENBERG HAVRE & HAMBURG On 29th } Freight

Capt. Hempel (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } December

SAMBIA HAVRE & HAMBURG About 29th } Freight

Capt. Schmidt (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Jan., 1901

SILESIA HAVRE & HAMBURG About 5th } Freight and

Capt. Müller (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Feb., 1901

SIBERIA HAVRE & HAMBURG About 15th } Freight and

Capt. Braun (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Feb., 1901

PREUSSEN HAVRE & HAMBURG About 25th } Freight

Capt. Proesch (London with transshipment in Hamburg) } Feb., 1901

These steamers have superior accommodation for passengers and carry a doctor and a stewardess.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, etc., apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., AGENTS.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Hongkong, 25th December, 1900. [13]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—3,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

EMPEROR OF CHINA. Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 16th Jan., 1901

EMPEROR OF INDIA. Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb., 1901

EMPEROR OF JAPAN. Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th Mar., 1901.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,

Fedder's Street.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1900.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

ROSETTA MARU SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE. FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at 4 P.M.

KAMAKURA MARU MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID. FRIDAY, 4th Jan., at DAYLIGHT.

MIKE MARU BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO. FRIDAY, 4th Jan., at NOON.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) FRIDAY, Dec. 28, at Noon.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Jan. 22, 1901, at Noon.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Feb. 14, 1901, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON FRIDAY, the 28th December, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, to Denver, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

HONGKONG, 22nd December, 1900. [3]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 31st December, 1900, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "OCEANIC" Captain Schmitz, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Ville de la Cloche*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 12th January 1901, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 30th December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Values of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

HONGKONG, 18th December, 1900. [2]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN" Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOCHOOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU." Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, 1901.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1900. [2824]

FOR SHANGHAI

THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON." Captain Honecker, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. For Freight or Passage, apply to EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1900. [3103]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "BERGENHUS" On 3rd Jan. 1901.

THE Steamship "BERGENHUS" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO, SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJIL, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, 1901.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan, Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [14]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"BENGAL." Captain S. Barcham, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this port for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 5th January, at Noon.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

ACCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

DORIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Jan. 5, 1901, at Noon.

CORPICO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Jan. 23, 1901, at Noon.

GALLIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Feb. 23, 1901, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON SATURDAY, the 5th January, 1901, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [4]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Jan. 12, 1901, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Feb. 7, 1901, at Noon.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Mar. 2, 1901, at Noon.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON SATURDAY, the 12th January, 1901, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU." Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 9th January, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [1443]

FOR PORTLAND (ORE.) U.S.A.

Booking Cargo for SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. and OVERLAND COMMON POINTS of the UNITED STATES by Connecting Railroads.

THE Norwegian First Class Steamer

"SKARPSNO." Captain Tollefsen, will be despatched on or about the 10th January, 1901.

This steamer will be followed about the end of January by The A.I. Steamship "MONMOUTHSHIRE," Capt. Kennedy.

For Freight or Passage, apply to T. M. STEVENS & CO., 4, Middle Street, Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3226]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN." Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th January, 1901.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3183]

FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN." Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th January, 1901.

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1900. [3184]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/4 L.I. British Bark

"R. MORROW." Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO., Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [288]

Maria Valeria, Austrian str., 2,848, Harberovich, Dec. 23, Sander, Wieler & Co.

Mongkut, German str., 859, Muller, Dec. 24, Butterfield & Swire.

Pharanga, German str., 1,021, Calder, Dec. 15, Melchers & Co.

Piccola, German str., 875, Haas, Dec. 18, Meyer & Co.

Pruissen, German str., 3,278, Frohn, Dec. 27, Melchers & Co.

Progress, German str., 687, Brandt, Dec. 25, Siemens & Co.

Queen Adelaide, British str., 1,835, McNair, Dec. 20, Dodwell & Co., Limited.

Rosetta Maru, Jap. str., 3,875, Tate, Dec. 26, Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Sandakan, Ger. str., 1,374, Brandt, Dec. 23, Melchers & Co.

Shantung, German str., 1,007, Rebbelund, Dec. 22, Sander, Wieler & Co.

Shirard Osborn, British cable str., 875, Danmull, Dec. 24, E. E. Telegraph Co.

Shikama Maru, Jap. str., 3,960, Cook, Dec. 26, Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Singap, British str., 1,053, Jamieson, Dec. 21, Butterfield & Swire.

Sulby, German str., 782, Jensen, Dec. 17, Siemens & Co.

Tallia, German steamer, 828, Calender, Dec. 19, Meyer & Co.

Taisang, British str., 1,544, Wilde, Dec. 27, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Taiwan, Amr. str., 1,216, Pattison, Dec. 23, Chinese.

Tamami Maru, Jap. str., 1,038, Hasegawa, Dec. 27, M. B. Kaisha.

Tartar, British steamer, 2,708, Bowles, Oct. 28, C. P. R. Co.

Telemachus, British str., 1,370, Savory, Nov. 22, Butterfield & Swire.

Thales, British steamer, 820, Robson, Dec. 25, Douglas Lauprak & Co.

Toungsian Maru, Jap. str., 2,560, Narasaki, Dec. 25, M. B. Kaisha.

Victoria, British str., 3,502, Pantou, Dec. 20, Dodwell & Co., Limited.

Wilhelmina, Dutch str., 2,791, Vries, Dec. 13, Order.

SAILING VESSELS.

Adolph Ohlig, Amr. ship, 1,262, Amesbury, Dec. 19, Standard Oil Co.

Astoria, British bark, 1,424, Thorkelsen, Dec. 16, Carlowitz & Co.

Waterwitch, surveying ship, 620 tons, 450 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Hay, at Hongkong

Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,900 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. Mackenzie, Shanghai

Wivern, coast defence ship, armoured, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 h.p., at Hongkong

Woodcock, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. H. W. R. Watson, at Wessing

Woodlark, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman, at Hankow

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

FIFTY-TWO

SHORT

COMPLETE

STORIES

FOR 1901.

THERE will be published weekly during 1901 in the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

a Series of SHORT STORIES written by the leading Novelists.

Each story is copyrighted and will be completed in two bi-weekly instalments. The following is the List of the Story Writers:—

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MABEL QUILLER-ROUCH.

A. J. DAWSON.

THE LADY MIDDLETON.

From JANUARY to MARCH, 1901,

the following will appear:—

MORLEY ROBERTS, "The Peace of Ephraim."

CHRISTABEL COLERIDGE, "The Lady Dress-maker."

R. W. CHAMBERS, "The Market Hunter."

HELEN MATHERS, "At the Sign of the One-Pound-Note."

HOWARD PEARSE, "A Cargo of Tulips."

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Indus*, with the French Mail of the 30th inst., left Saigon on Friday, the 28th inst., at 5 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 31st inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 27th October inst.

The *Nippon Maru*, with the American Mail of the 6th inst., left Yokohama on Wednesday, 20th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 3rd January.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Meiji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma	Victoria	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Strait, Colombo and Bombay	Gisela	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Hongkong	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Singap.	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	China	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
Swatow	Doctina	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Rosetta Maru	Friday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Tamsui	Diamond	Friday, 28th, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Poochow	Tamsui Maru	Saturday, 29th, 5.00 P.M.
Kobe, Yokohama, San Diego and San Francisco	Bergenhuis	Saturday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
		Monday, 31st, 8.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuorin	Occident	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
Kobe and Nagasaki	Chunyang	Monday, 31st, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Hachiko	Monday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuorin	Prinz Heinrich	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuorin	Bengal	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.		
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Taiwan	Saturday, 5 Jan., 5.00 P.M.
(A Supplementary mail will be closed on Sunday, 6th January, at 9 a.m.)		
EUROPE, &c., India via Tutuorin	Princess Irene	Wednesday, 9 Jan., Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C.	Empress of China	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		

TO-DAY.

Performance by the Taylor-Carrington Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Meeting of the Gt. Eastern and C. G. M. Co. (in Liquidation), 11.45 a.m.

Meeting of the Gt. Eastern and C. G. M. Co. noon.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

THURSDAY, 27th December.

ON LONDON—	2/1
Telegraphic Transfer	2/1
Bank Bills, on demand	2/1
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2/1
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	2/1
Credit, at 4 months sight	2/1
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	2/1
ON PARIS—	2/2
Bank Bills, on demand	2/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	2/2
ON GERMANY—	2/1
On demand	2/1
ON NEW YORK—	50
Bank Bills, on demand	50
Credit, 60 days sight	51
ON BOMBAY—	155
Telegraphic Transfer	155
Bank, on demand	155
ON CALCUTTA—	155
Telegraphic Transfer	155
Bank, on demand	155
ON SHANGHAI—	71
Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days sight	72
ON YOKOHAMA—	2 1/2 p.c. dis.
On demand	2 1/2 p.c. dis.
ON MANILA—	1 p.c. dis.
On demand	1 p.c. dis.
ON SINGAPORE—	1 p.c. pm.
On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA—	154
On demand	154
ON HAIPHONG—	2 p.c. pm.
On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON—	1 p.c. pm.
On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK—	60
On demand	60
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.50
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola	49.75
SILVER, per tola	29

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.	
The Imperial German Mail steamer <i>Prinz Heinrich</i> left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 22nd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 31st inst.	
THE FRENCH MAIL.	
The M. M. steamer <i>Indus</i> , with the outward French Mails, left Saigon on Friday, the 28th inst., at 5 a.m., for this port.	
THE AMERICAN MAIL.	
The T. K. K. steamer <i>Nippon Maru</i> , with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 6th inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 19th inst., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.	
THE INDIAN MAIL.	
The steamer <i>Lightning</i> , from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on Wednesday afternoon, 26th inst.	
MERCHANT STEAMERS.	
The steamer <i>Palma</i> , from New York and Straits, left Manila on the 24th inst. and is due here to-day.	
The E. & A. steamer <i>Guthrie</i> , from Sydney, etc., left Port Darwin on the 21st inst. for Manila and this port.	

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 27th December.

STOCKS.	No. of SHARES.	Issue Price.	Dividend.	Closing Quotations.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	30% div. at 1/11/10 = \$13.08 per share for 1st half year 1900	330 p. c. pr. = \$622, London 200-10s.
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	100,000	\$25	None	45 5/8.
Do. Deferred	1,200	\$41	None	27, buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	10,000	\$10	2 1/2% for 1900	\$27, buyers
Do. Founders' Shares	20,000	\$10	2 1/2% for 1900	\$27, buyers
MARINE INSURANCE.				
Union Ins. Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	40 p. c. = \$20 for 1899	\$245, sellers
China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$83.33	10 p. c. for 1899 and 30 p. c. for 1900	\$50, buyers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$100	10 p. c. = \$10 for 1899	\$110, sellers
Yantai Ins. Assoc., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	30 p. c. = \$30 for 1899	\$145, buyers
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	50 p. c. for 1899	\$145, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$100	5 p. c. for 1899	\$1.
FIRE INSURANCE.				
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250	\$27 for 1899	\$205, sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$3 for 1899	\$76, buyers
SHIPPING.				
Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	(\$1.20 for half year) ended 30/6/100	\$33, sellers
Indo-China S. S. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	20 p. c. for 1899	\$65, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	14,000	\$50	20 p. c. for 1899	\$27, sellers
Loungs Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	12 p. c. for year ending 30/6/100	\$47, sellers
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	Int. of 3 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$12, buyers
Limited, Preference	20,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$18 1/2, buyers
Do. Ordinary	20,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$44, buyers
Do. do	20,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$25 1/2, sellers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$25 1/2, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$25 1/2, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$110, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	\$3 for 1899	\$35, buyers
Mining.				
Panama Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$8	None	\$34, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	None	\$1.
Societe Fin. des Charbonnages de Tonkin	10,000	\$250	None	\$350, sellers
Queens Mines, Limited	400,000	\$25	None	7 cents, sellers
Jelutong Mining and Trading Company, Ltd.	45,000	\$5	5 p. c. for half year ended 31/7/100 (coupon 10)	\$6, sellers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$1	10 p. c. for half year ended 30/6/100	\$7.
Oliver's Freehold Mines, Limited	15,000	\$5	None	\$2.
Great Eastern and Cal. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	140,000	\$4	None	\$11.
Do. Preference	70,000	\$1	First year	5 cents, sales
DOCKS, WHARVES, &c.				
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	12,500	\$125	30 p. c. for period ending 31/10/100	\$56 p. c. pr. = \$220.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$91, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	2,000	\$100	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$94, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$4	22 p. c. for 1899	\$201.
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	Int. of 3 p. c. on account 1900	\$155.
Kowloon Land & B. Co.	9,000	\$50	\$14 for 1899	\$28.
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	Int. of 5 p. c. on acct. 1900	\$43, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	10 p. c. for half year ended 30/6/100	\$124, buyers
Oriental Hotel Co., Limited	7,000	\$50	First year	\$31.
Humphreys Est. & Fin. Co.	100,000	\$10	5 p. c. for 1899	\$117 1/2, sellers
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewe Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17,500	\$100	31 p. c. for period ending 31/10/100	Tia. 43, sales & buyers
International Cotton Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	3 p. c. on account 1900	Tia. 35
Laon-lung-ming Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	4 p. c. on account 1900	Tia. 55, buyers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Ltd.	8,000	\$100	4 p. c. for period ending 31/12/100	Tia. 32 1/2, sellers
Yahlong Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	7,500	\$100	None	Tia. 30, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co.	10,000	\$10	10 p. c. for 1900 on a/c. Capt.	\$20, sellers
China Borneo Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$20	None	\$20.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$15, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	70 cents per share	(\$11, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	\$10	9 p. c. for 1899	\$118, buyers
Hongkong Sops Mfg. Co.	10,000	\$50	\$50 for 1899	\$170, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$25	15 p. c. for 1899	\$34, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	3,000	\$25	Int. of 5 p. c. on a/c of 1900	\$175, sellers
Hongkong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$100	\$12 for year ended 30/11/100	\$200, buyers
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$71	\$8 1/2 per share	\$7, buyers
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	2,000	\$25	\$20 for 1899	\$8.
H. & C. Baker Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$10	12 p. c. for 1899	\$30, buyers
Bel's Baker Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$1	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$3, sellers
United Asbestos Works, Ltd.	20,000	\$1	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$3, sellers
Agency Limited	100,000	\$1	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$3, sellers
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$5	None	\$3, sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$20	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$37 1/2, sales
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	Int. of 5 p. c. for 1900	\$17, buyers
Universal Trading Co.	50,000	\$20	None	\$3, buyers
Other Companies.				
Alhambra, Limited	200	\$500	25 p. c. for period 30/6/100	\$1,500, buyers
La Commercial, Limited	250	\$500	Int. of 10 p. c. for 1899	\$1,000 ex div.
Hemania, Limited	750	\$100	First year	\$100
La Favorita, Limited	130	\$500	First year	\$700, sales

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 20th DECEMBER, A.M.						
STATION.	Hour.	Barometer at sea level.	Therm. ° Fahr.	Therm. ° Centigrade.	Humidity.	Wind.
						Direction.	Force.
Vladivostok	2 p.	—	—	—	—	—
Tokyo	—	30.22	—	—	—	NW 4
Kobe	—	30.23	—	—	—	NW 4
Nagasaki	—	30.27	—	—	—	NW 4
Yokohama	—	30.23	—	—	—	NW 4
Manila	1 p.	30.20	—	—	—	NW 4
Haiphong	—	30.16	—	—	—	NW 4
Swatow	—	30.20	—	—	—	NW 4
Amoy	—	30.10	—	—	—	NW 4
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—
London	3 p.	30.28	54	90	—	N 4
Paris	—	30.23	62	72	S	4
Bombay	—	30.23	85	61	ENE	3
Calcutta	—	30.16	88	68	E	3
Madras	—	30.14	73	67	S	3
Batavia	4 p.	30.14	65	67	ENE	4
Singapore	—	30.11	—	—	ENE	4
Penang	—	30.13	70	—	ENE	2
Malacca	1 p.	—	—	—	—	—
Sumatra	4 p.	29.92	51	35	—	0
Java	3 p.	—	—	—	—	0
Borneo	—	—	—	—	—	0
Sulawesi	—	29.54	82	—	N	2
Philippines	—	29.54	84	—	NE	2
Mindanao	—	—	—	—	NE	2
Palawan	—	—	—	—	NE	2
Visayas	—	—	—	—	NE	2
Luzon	—	—	—	—	NE	2
Formosa	—	—	—	—	NE	2
27th DECEMBER, A.M.						
Vladivostok	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Tokyo	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Kobe	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yokohama	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	5 a.	30.13	—	—	—	N 4
Haiphong	—	30.16	—	—	—	N 4
Swatow	—	30.13	—	—	—	N 4
Amoy	—	30.12	—	—	—	N 4
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—
London	9 a.	30.21	54	94	—	N 4
Paris	—	30.17	63	79	NW	2
Bombay	—	30.15	60	82	SW	2
Calcutta	—	—	—	—	—	—
Madras	—	30.18	65	84	SE	1
Batavia	10 a.	30.16	68	84	SE	1
Singapore	—	30.10	—	—	SE	1
Penang	—	30.17	72	—	SE	1
Malacca	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Sumatra	10 a.	30.03	82	77	SW	1
Java	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Borneo	—	29.93	80	—	NW	1
Sulawesi	—	29.95	88	—	NE	1
Philippines	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Mindanao	—	—	—	—	—	—
Palawan	—	—	—	—	—	—
Visayas	—	—	—	—	—	—
Luzon	—	—	—	—	—	—
Formosa	—	—	—	—	—	—